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Milestones, Perspectives

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"Big Catch-Up" [BCU]

Largest catch-up initiative delivers over 100 million childhood vaccinations

24 April 2026 Joint News Release: WHO, UNICEF, Gavi

:: The Big Catch-Up, launched during World Immunization Week 2023, has delivered over 100 million vaccine doses to an estimated 18.3 million children across 36 countries.

:: Around 12.3 million were "zero-dose children" who had not previously received any vaccines and 15 million who had never received a measles vaccine.

:: The **initiative concluded in March 2026 and is on track to meet its target of catching up 21 million children** – but agencies warn that many infants still miss out on lifesaving vaccines through routine immunization every year.

GENEVA/NEW YORK, 24 April 2026 – The Big Catch-Up (BCU), a **historic multi-year, multi-country effort to address vaccination declines driven largely by the COVID-19 pandemic, has reached an estimated 18.3 million children aged 1 to 5 across 36 countries** with more than 100 million doses of life-saving vaccines, helping to narrow critical immunity gaps, announced Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance (Gavi), WHO, and UNICEF at the start of World Immunization Week.

Of the 18.3 million children reached between 2023 and 2025, **an estimated 12.3 million were "zero-dose children" who had not yet received a vaccine and 15 million had never received a measles vaccine.** BCU also provided **23 million doses of inactivated polio vaccine (IPV) to un- and under-vaccinated children**, an essential intervention to reach polio eradication.

Programme implementation concluded on 31 March 2026. Although final data is still being compiled, the global initiative is forecasted to be on track to meet its target of vaccinating at least 21 million un- and under-immunized children.

However, agencies warn that while catch-up vaccination is an important strategy for closing immunization gaps, expanding the reach of routine immunization programmes remains the most effective and sustainable way to protect children against outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases.

Addressing the vaccine equity gap

...**The 36 participating BCU countries across Africa and Asia currently account for 60 per cent of all zero-dose worldwide.** In these countries, pandemic-related immunization programme disruptions exacerbated this issue, and, added millions more zero-dose children to those who already chronically miss out. To address this issue, the Big Catch-Up looked beyond infant immunization, **for the first-time ever systematically leveraging routine immunization systems to make deep inroads into the accumulated global cohort of older children between the ages of 1 to 5** – "older" because they should have received critical routine vaccines before the age of 1 – who remain vulnerable due to missed vaccinations.

BCU catalyzed long-lasting systems to identify, screen, vaccinate and monitor coverage rates in these older children – including updates to policies on age eligibility. Countries also oriented and trained health workers to identify, screen and vaccinate missed children as part of routine care and engaged with communities and civil society to support catch-up efforts. By expanding the reach of immunization to millions of previously missed children and their communities, and investing in systemic

improvements, the BCU drive has made it easier for the countries to ensure these populations and others like them continue to receive essential health and immunization services in the future.

Among the participating countries, 12 countries (Burkina Faso, Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Madagascar, Mauritania, Niger, Pakistan, Somalia, Togo, United Republic of Tanzania, and Zambia) reported reaching more than 60 per cent of all zero-dose children under the age of 5 who had previously missed DTP1. In Ethiopia, more than 2.5 million previously zero-dose children received DTP1. The country also delivered nearly 5 million doses of IPV and more than 4 million doses of measles vaccine, among other key vaccines, to un- and under-vaccinated children. Countries outside this group also reached large numbers of children. In Nigeria, for example, 2 million previously zero-dose children were reached with DTP1, and 3.4 million doses of IPV were administered alongside millions of doses of other vaccines.

While these 36 countries received Gavi funding and technical assistance from WHO and UNICEF through BCU, many other countries also implemented activities during this period to accelerate efforts to catch-up missed children and recover immunization services following pandemic-related backsliding...

Looking at the challenges ahead

Through the Big Catch-Up, for the first time ever, countries and global partners successfully reached 12.3 million “older” zero dose children between the ages of 1 to 5. However, **in 2024, an estimated 14.3 million infants under the age of one globally failed to receive a single vaccine through routine immunization programmes...**

Large-scale catch-up efforts are resource intensive and should serve only as a gap-filling measure that is complementary to routine immunization. Timely vaccination according to national immunization schedules provides optimal protection and continues to be the most sustainable way to safeguard children and communities.

For every generation, vaccines work

WHO, UNICEF, and Gavi, along with countries and communities, are marking World Immunization Week (24-30 April 2026) with a joint campaign, "For every generation, vaccines work," calling on countries to sustain and expand vaccination coverage at every age. At the midpoint of the Immunization Agenda 2030 (IA2030), and central to Gavi's 2026–2030 strategy (Gavi 6.0), the priority remains the same: reaching zero-dose children and advancing equity in the hardest-to-reach communities, particularly in countries grappling with conflict, instability, or fragile health systems. Maintaining that momentum will require expanding long-term domestic investments in immunization programmes and reliable commitments from partners and donors.

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WHO Results Report - 2025

[WHO reports measurable health impact in 2025 amid transition to new strategy](#)

23 April 2026 *News release*

The World Health Organization (WHO) today released **its Results Report, highlighting measurable improvements in people’s health worldwide in 2025, despite funding cuts affecting both the organization and the broader global health sector.**

Published at a pivotal moment for global health, the Results Report demonstrates that WHO’s impact was strongest in areas where its technical leadership and comparative advantage were fully leveraged.

The report finds significant progress across all three “Triple Billion” targets under WHO’s Thirteenth General Programme of Work (GPW13) for 2019–2025.

- an estimated 567 million additional people were covered by essential health services without experiencing catastrophic health spending in 2025, compared with the baseline in 2018 – an increase of 136 million since 2024;
- an estimated 698 million additional people were better protected from health emergencies in 2025, compared with the baseline in 2018 – an increase of 61 million since 2024; and
- an estimated 1.75 billion additional people living healthier lives in 2025, compared with the baseline in 2018 – an increase of 300 million since 2024.

Despite this progress, the report cautions that important ambitions remain unmet, leaving with the world off track to meet the health-related Sustainable Development Goals by 2030.

Nevertheless, this final snapshot under GPW 13 provides clear evidence of the value of a strong and sustainably financed WHO, reflecting enduring collaboration between WHO and its Member States at global, regional and country levels.

“The Results Report 2025 shows that with support from WHO and partners, countries have delivered tangible benefits for millions of people,” said Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO Director-General. “At the same time, these gains cannot be taken for granted. Protecting and expanding them will require sustained support and investment, so that together we can continue advancing the vision set out in WHO’s Constitution: the highest attainable standard of health as a right for all.”

WHO CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS HEALTH OUTCOMES

Explore the progress

■ Universal health coverage
■ Health emergencies protection
■ Healthier populations
■ Effective and efficient WHO

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The WHO Results Report is released annually ahead of the World Health Assembly to assess progress and review achievements and challenges in implementing WHO’s programme budget.

Compared with previous editions, **the 2025 report features stronger evidence-based reporting and clearer prioritization across country, regional and global levels**, providing a more data-driven picture of where progress has been made and where further effort is needed. The full report will be presented by the Director-General at the Seventy-ninth World Health Assembly (18–23 May 2026).

Significant impact and areas of improvement

This latest Results Report shows **meaningful – but incomplete – progress across 46 outcome indicators and 121 output indicators that are specifically focused on the performance of the WHO Secretariat**. These indicators are aligned with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development reflecting joint accountability between WHO and its Member States.

Overall, approximately half of the output indicators were not achieved, particularly in emergency-prone and resource-constrained settings. For all three targets, financial pressures and WHO's realignment process had several immediate consequences, such as reduced human resource capacity for delivery, limited technical support, and slowing programme implementation.

Progress towards universal health coverage was driven by expanded coverage of services for communicable diseases, including HIV and tuberculosis, prevention of bacterial diseases through improved sanitation and an expanding health workforce. However, gaps persist in areas such as diabetes management, measles surveillance and financial protection.

Progress under protection from health emergencies reflects advances in pandemic preparedness, early warning systems, prevention and response capacity. These gains were supported in part by the adopted Pandemic Agreement and the revised International Health Regulations. Areas requiring complex implementation – such as disease detection, emergency response, and polio eradication and transition – remain more challenging, reflecting constraints in country capacity, financing and operations.

Progress towards better health and well-being was driven by improvements in access to clean household energy, water, sanitation and hygiene, and reductions in air pollution, tobacco use and alcohol consumption. WHO's global guidance, technical tools, standards and networks played a significant role in supporting these achievements.

Examples of achievements in 2025

The Results Report highlights several **areas where WHO's technical leadership and convening role delivered clear impact:**

- antimicrobial resistance: expanded surveillance and evidence generation through the Global Antimicrobial Resistance and Use Surveillance System (GLASS), for policy-decision making;
- mental health: strengthened emergency mental health and psychosocial support systems, increasing country coverage from 28% to 48%;
- **HPV vaccination: expanded vaccine coverage with simplified single-dose schedules, raising global coverage from 17% in 2019 to 31% in 2024;**
- pandemic preparedness: adoption of the Pandemic Agreement and amendments to the International Health Regulations (IHR), to ensure that the world is better prepared for future pandemics;
- humanitarian response: responded to 66 emergencies across 88 countries in 2025; delivering for instance 33 million medical consultations through health partners in Gaza.
- environmental health: updated global air pollution roadmap to cut deaths attributed to poor air quality by 50% by 2040; and
- One Health: strengthened high-level engagement and multisectoral dialogue and collaboration through the Quadripartite partnership, to better protect people, animals and the planet from future health crises.

Looking ahead

The report notes that a large share of WHO’s funding remains highly earmarked for specific thematic areas, which continues to limit strategic allocation in line with organizational priorities.

As the global financial landscape becomes more constrained, sustained and flexible financing will be essential to safeguard health gains, reduce persistent inequities, and enable WHO to deliver on its mandate – particularly in countries and communities most in need – for a healthier, safer, and fairer world for all.



Immunization Financing

[IFFIm returns to market with US\\$1 billion 5-year bond to support global vaccine programs](#)

:: Funds to support Gavi immunisation programmes
:: This bond marks 20 years since IFFIm’s inaugural issuance
:: Dr Sania Nishtar, CEO of Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance: “IFFIm has been a cornerstone of Gavi’s ability to act quickly and at scale, transforming long-term commitments into immediate impact and helping us protect more than a billion children”

London, 22 April 2026 – The International Finance Facility for Immunisation (IFFIm) today **announced the pricing of a US\$ 1 billion fixed-rate bond with a 5-year maturity, further mobilising vital resources to support global immunisation efforts through Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance.**

The transaction reaffirms IFFIm’s long-standing role in transforming long-term donor commitments into immediate funding for life-saving vaccines, helping protect children in the world’s lower-income countries. **IFFIm’s vaccine bonds provide predictable, flexible financing that enables Gavi to expand access to immunisation and strengthen health systems globally. Significant IFFIm investments to date have included funding for 15 vaccine introductions including significant investments in the Ebola, COVID-19, HPV and malaria vaccines.**

Maturing on 29 April 2031, the bond carries a semi-annual coupon of 4.0% per annum and a semi-annual re-offer yield of 4.068%. offering a spread of 15.8 basis points versus the reference 5-year US Treasury.

The bond attracted a US\$ 3.8 billion, high-quality order book, with a diverse investor base, including 43% from official institutions and multilateral development banks, 40% from banks, bank treasuries and corporates, and 17% from asset managers and insurance/pension funds. Geographically, 68% of investors came from Europe, Middle East and Africa (“EMEA”), 18% from Americas and 14% from Asia. The bond will be listed on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange. Barclays Bank PLC, BNP Paribas, and HSBC Bank PLC, are joint lead managers for the transaction.

As IFFIm celebrates its 20th anniversary of its inaugural bond issued in 2006, this latest transaction reaffirms its continued role as a trusted and effective financing platform for global health...

“Twenty years on, IFFIm continues to demonstrate the enduring strength of its model by offering investors a high-quality, mission-driven opportunity that combines financial rigor with measurable global impact,” said Georgina Baker, Chair of the IFFIm Board. **“As a pure-play vaccine bond**

issuer, IFFIm provides a clear, transparent link between capital markets and life-saving outcomes, underpinned by strong donor support and a robust financial framework. This latest issuance reflects not only sustained investor confidence, but also the **continued attractiveness of IFFIm as a reliable, impactful instrument at the intersection of global health and capital markets.**" ...

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mRNA Pandemic Influenza Vaccine

Moderna Announces Initiation of Phase 3 Study of Investigational mRNA Pandemic Influenza Vaccine Candidate

Phase 3 study is supported by the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations to help strengthen global preparedness against a significant pandemic threat

CAMBRIDGE, MA / [ACCESS Newswire](#) / April 21, 2026 / Moderna, Inc. (NASDAQ:MRNA) today announced that **the first participants in the U.S. and UK have been dosed in a Phase 3 study of the Company's investigational mRNA-based H5 pandemic influenza vaccine candidate, mRNA-1018.**

In December 2025, the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI) and Moderna announced that CEPI will invest up to \$54.3 million to help advance mRNA-1018 to licensure.

"H5 influenza, or bird flu, remains a pandemic threat. The start of our Phase 3 trial for an H5 influenza vaccine marks a significant milestone in our ongoing efforts to strengthen global pandemic preparedness," said Stéphane Bancel, Chief Executive Officer of Moderna. "Our platform technology's efficiency and scalability are critical to supporting global health security and responding to potential future threats."

"The first-of-its-kind pivotal trial of an mRNA-based pandemic influenza vaccine underscores the potential of this technology to reshape how we confront emerging pathogens," said Dr. Richard Hatchett, CEO of CEPI. "If successful, these efforts could transform our ability to respond swiftly and equitably to one of the world's most enduring threats."

The Phase 3 study will evaluate the safety and immunogenicity of mRNA-1018 in healthy adults ages 18 years and older and is expected to enroll approximately 4,000 adults in the U.S. and UK. If successful, global regulatory submissions for mRNA-1018 will be further supported by positive data from the pivotal Phase 3 trial of Moderna's investigational seasonal influenza vaccine, mRNA-1010, which has been accepted for review in the U.S., the European Union, Canada and Australia...

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Moderna Announces Update on Investigational Pandemic Influenza Program

:: Phase 1/2 H5 avian flu vaccine study shows positive interim results

:: Company has been notified that HHS will terminate Moderna's award for late-stage development of pre-pandemic influenza vaccines

CAMBRIDGE, MA / **May 28, 2025** / Moderna, Inc. (NASDAQ:MRNA) today announced positive interim data from a Phase 1/2 clinical study ([NCT05972174](#)) evaluating the safety and immunogenicity of its investigational pandemic influenza vaccine, mRNA-1018, in approximately

300 healthy adults aged 18 years and older. The interim results focus on a vaccine candidate targeting the H5 avian influenza virus subtype.

The Company had previously expected to advance the program to late-stage development with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); however, today Moderna received notice that HHS will terminate the award for the late-stage development and right to purchase pre-pandemic influenza vaccines.

"While the termination of funding from HHS adds uncertainty, we are pleased by the robust immune response and safety profile observed in this interim analysis of the Phase 1/2 study of our H5 avian flu vaccine and we will explore alternative paths forward for the program," said Stéphane Bancel, Chief Executive Officer of Moderna. "These clinical data in pandemic influenza underscore the critical role mRNA technology has played as a countermeasure to emerging health threats."...

Moderna will explore alternatives for late-stage development and manufacturing of the H5 program consistent with the Company's strategic commitment to pandemic preparedness.

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WHO Pandemic Accord – PABS Annex

IGWG6 Resumed

[Intergovernmental Working Group \(IGWG\) on the WHO Pandemic Agreement 27 April – 1 May 2026](#)

Draft revised programme of work - [A/IGWG/6/2 Rev.1](#)

[Live webcast of the meeting of the IGWG](#)

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Polio – PHEIC

[Polio this week](#) [22 April 2026]

Headlines [Selected]

:: World Immunization Week 2026 – for every generation, vaccines work!

Next week is [World Immunization Week](#), an opportunity for stakeholders to raise awareness about the importance of vaccines and vaccinations, including of course for polio eradication. Help spread the word by amplifying GPEI-created social media content, available [here](#).

Summary of new polioviruses this week:

:: Pakistan: two WPV1-positive environmental samples

:: DR Congo: one cVDPV2 case

:: Namibia: one cVDPV2-positive environmental sample

:: Somalia: one cVDPV2-positive environmental sample

:: Sudan: two cVDPV2 cases and one cVDPV2-positive environmental sample

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WHO & Regional Offices [25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.who.int/news>

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April 2026 *News release*

[WHO prequalifies first-ever malaria treatment for newborns and infants, adds new diagnostic tests](#)

24 April 2026 *Joint News Release*

[Largest catch-up initiative delivers over 100 million childhood vaccinations](#)

23 April 2026 *Departmental update*

[UN drug policy body acts on WHO recommendations to control new psychoactive substances and considers coca leaf review](#)

23 April 2026 *Departmental update*

[Finding sexual and reproductive health and rights facts fast: a new AI-powered tool](#)

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[Algeria eliminates trachoma as a public health problem](#)

23 April 2026 *News release*

[WHO reports measurable health impact in 2025 amid transition to new strategy](#)

22 April 2026 *News release*

[WHO certifies the Bahamas for eliminating mother-to-child transmission of HIV](#)

20 April 2026 *Transcript*

[Message from the Head of the PIP Framework Secretariat, Anne Huvos](#)

...The PIP Framework is the world's first and only functioning global access and benefit sharing system for public health. Its purpose remains as relevant today as it was in 2011: to promote the timely sharing of influenza viruses with pandemic potential and, on an equal footing, the fair and equitable sharing of resulting benefits, including vaccines, antivirals and diagnostics, to improve pandemic influenza preparedness and ensure that response to the next pandemic is rooted in, and guided by, equity.

During its 15 years of implementation, WHO's PIP Framework has operationalized the Partnership Contribution and used the funds provided by influenza vaccine, diagnostic and pharmaceutical manufacturers that use the WHO Global Influenza Surveillance and Response System (GISRS) to support capacity strengthening in 86 countries across all six WHO regions, as well as at the global and regional levels....

:: [WHO Influenza Newsletter - PIP 15th anniversary special edition: Pandemic Influenza Preparedness \(PIP\) Framework](#)

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WHO Vaccines and Immunization [IVB]

https://www.who.int/health-topics/vaccines-and-immunization#tab=tab_1

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[**Largest catch-up initiative delivers over 100 million childhood vaccinations**](#)

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WHO Regional Offices

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WHO African Region AFRO

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[**Children better protected against malaria in Togo**](#)

:: 24 April 2026

[**Over 10 million children protected against polio in coordinated cross-border campaigns across Angola, DRC and Namib**](#)

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

Website not responding at inquiry.

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

:: 24 April 2026 *News release*

[**WHO calls for renewed focus on equity as millions remain unvaccinated in South-East Asia despite decades of progress**](#)

WHO European Region EURO

:: 24 April 2026 *Media release*

[**A global influenza vaccination target has existed for 2 decades – yet only 4 countries in the European Region are hitting it**](#)

:: 24 April 2026 *News release*

[**Hungary expands medical curricula to support vaccine communication**](#)

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

:: [**Pakistan: protecting millions against polio with support from KSrelief**](#)

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:: [**Pakistan, WHO have protected 160 million children and 130 million mothers with life-saving vaccines over 5 decades**](#)

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WHO Western Pacific Region

:: 24 April 2026 *Media release*

[**For every generation, vaccines work – but progress must be protected in the Western Pacifi...**](#)

:: 22 April 2026

[**Crossing the last mile: Cambodia's journey towards malaria elimination**](#)

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WHO - Emergency situation reports

Latest WHO official reports for emergency situations. Latest WHO official reports for emergency situations.

No new digest content identified.

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Disease Outbreak News (DONs)

Latest WHO Disease Outbreak News (DONs), providing information on confirmed acute public health events or potential events of concern.

23 April 2026 | Measles - Bangladesh

Situation at a glance

On 4 April 2026, the National International Health Regulations (IHR) Focal Point for Bangladesh notified WHO of a nationwide increase in measles cases, geographically affecting 58 out of 64 districts across all eight divisions in Bangladesh. A total of 19 161 suspected measles cases and 2897 laboratory-confirmed measles cases have been reported between 15 March and 14 April 2026, including 166 measles related deaths (CFR 0.9%). The majority (79%) of the reported cases are children aged under 5 years.

A targeted measles-rubella (MR) vaccination campaign started on 5 April, and various outbreak response measures are ongoing including strengthening nationwide surveillance and epidemiological analysis to enhance case detection and reporting. Based on currently available information, WHO assesses the risk at the national level as high due to ongoing transmission across multiple divisions, the large number of susceptible children, documented immunity gaps, and the occurrence of suspected measles-related deaths.

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Weekly Epidemiological Record

<https://www.who.int/publications/journals/weekly-epidemiological-record>

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<https://iris.who.int/server/api/core/bitstreams/c31f06c2-fbb5-48e2-a881-ffd92b0b1362/content>

:: From data to life-saving action: how Go. Data strengthened outbreak response in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh

[Reviewed earlier]

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New WHO Publications

<https://www.who.int/publications>

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Africa

Africa CDC [25 Apr 2026]

<https://africacdc.org/>

Press Releases, Statements [Selected]

Statement

Accelerating action to end malaria: A test of Africa's Health Security and Sovereignty

By H.E. Dr. Jean Kaseya, Director General, Africa CDC

As Africa marks World Malaria Day 2026, one fact remains inescapable: malaria continues to impose one of the heaviest and most avoidable burdens on the continent. In 2024, Africa accounted for an estimated 270.8 million malaria cases and nearly 600 000 deaths, representing 96% of global cases and 97% of global malaria deaths. ¹ Children under 5 years of age and pregnant women remain the

most affected. ¹ Malaria is therefore not only a health problem. It is a direct constraint on Africa's development, weakening human capital, reducing productivity, deepening poverty, and slowing progress towards attainment of Agenda 2063 and universal health coverage...

Malaria elimination by 2030 cannot be achieved through aspiration alone. It requires African political ownership, evidence-informed decisions, stronger community-based systems, coordinated efforts, and investments in local manufacturing and ensuring access to malaria commodities. Africa has reached a point at which malaria can no longer be managed as routine business. It must be confronted as a continental priority, with the urgency, discipline, and political seriousness that health security demands. If Africa is to lead its own public health future, then ending malaria must be part of that leadership. What is required now is concerted action. Malaria has taken enough from Africa. It is time for Africa to end malaria.

Saving Lives and Livelihoods Stories

[The legacy of Cold Chain Equipment Optimization in Africa](#)

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[Programme at the Core of Intervention against Cancer causing Virus](#) [HPV]

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China – CDC+

National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China [25 Apr 2026]

<http://en.nhc.gov.cn/>

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National Medical Products Administration – PRC [25 Apr 2026]

<http://english.nmpa.gov.cn/>

News

[NMPA holds special training program on quality improvement of vaccines, blood products](#)

On April 10, the National Medical Products Administration (NMPA) convened a special public training program, with online and on-site participation, on inspection, rectification and quality improvement of vaccines and blood products in order to further reinforce oversight of the quality and safety of these medical products.

China CDC

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- [Vital Surveillances: Post-Marketing Surveillance Data of Adverse Events Following Immunization with Human Rabies Vaccine — China, 2021–2024](#)
- [Preplanned Studies: Combination Vaccines in Routine Childhood Immunization Programs — Worldwide, 2024](#)
- [Preplanned Studies: The Current Status of Simultaneous Vaccination of Children Aged 0–3 Years — China, 2022–2024](#)
- [Preplanned Studies: A Randomized, Double-Blind, Positive-Controlled Phase III Clinical Trial of an Anti-Rabies Monoclonal Antibody for Category III Rabies Exposure in Individuals Under 18 Years — China, 2021–2023](#)

- Outbreak Reports: Epidemiological Investigation of a Tuberculosis Cluster Outbreak at a University — Changsha City, Hunan Province, China, September 2023–November 2025

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Europe

European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control

<https://www.ecdc.europa.eu/en>

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European Immunization Week 2026: For every generation, vaccines work

20 April 2026

For every generation, vaccines work: three countries reach 90% HPV vaccination target as Europe steps up action on cancer prevention

20 April 2026

Surveillance and monitoring

Communicable disease threats report, 18-24 April 2026, Week 17

24 April 2026

Surveillance and monitoring

Invasive pneumococcal disease - Annual Epidemiological Report for 2023

20 April 2026

Surveillance and monitoring

Monthly measles and rubella monitoring report - February 2026

20 April 2026

European Medicines Agency [EMA]

<https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/news>

News & Press Releases

Meeting highlights from the Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP) 20-23 April 2026

Five new medicines recommended for approval; another nine medicines recommended for extension of their therapeutic indications

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India

National Centre for Disease Control

Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare

Announcements

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U.S. Immunization and Public Health Governance/Policy/Funding

Given the continuing extraordinary situation in the U.S., we have established a separate section of the digest to capture and organize key content. Please note that we will selectively include external analysis and comment, either boxing or indenting this content under the relevant organization/action. We recognize that despite the volume of content in this section, this summary is indicative and not exhaustive

Executive Branch - White House, State, HHS, FDA, CDC+ White House

*Presidential Actions – Executive Orders; Memoranda; Proclamations
No new digest content identified.*

Department of War

www.war.gov/

[Hegseth: Flu Vaccine Optional](#)

April 21, 2026 | By C. Todd Lopez, Pentagon News |

Annual influenza vaccines are no longer mandatory, said Secretary of War Pete Hegseth in a video posted today on social media.

"The notion that a flu vaccine must be mandatory for every service member, everywhere, in every circumstance, at all times, is just overly broad and not rational," the secretary said.

"Our new policy is simple: If you, an American warrior entrusted to defend this nation, believe that the flu vaccine is in your best interest, then you are free to take it; you should. But we will not force you."

The secretary signed a [memorandum that provides updated guidance](#) that states, effective immediately, the annual influenza vaccine is voluntary for all active and reserve component service members and War Department civilian personnel....

Department of State

Press Releases - Selected

Press Statement

[United States Forging a Healthier Oceania Through Trump Administration's America First Global Health Strategy Through Bilateral Health Memorandum of Understanding with Papua New Guinea](#)

Thomas "Tommy" Pigott April 23, 2026

Press Statement

[Trump Administration's America First Global Health Strategy Fights Infectious Diseases Through Bilateral Health Memorandum of Understanding with Bolivia](#)

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[PEPFAR Data Release](#) – Fact Sheet

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[PEPFAR Data Release](#) – Media Note

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HHS

Press Room - Selected

No new digest content identified.

NIH [to 25 Apr 2026]

<http://www.nih.gov/>

News Releases

No new digest content identified.

FDA

Press Announcements

No new digest content identified.

FDA CBER

What's New for Biologics

[April 22, 2026 Approval Letter - VIMKUNYA](#)

[April 20, 2026 Approval Letter - ERVEBO](#)

FDA VRBPAC [Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee]

Advisory Committee Calendar

[Notice of Meeting; Establishment of a Public Docket; Request for Comments](#) -United States

(U.S.) 2026-2027 Formula for COVID-19 Vaccine Composition - **May 28, 2026**, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time. A Notice by the Food and Drug Administration on 04/27/2026

FDA Pediatric Advisory Committee Meeting

Advisory Committee Calendar

No future meetings posted.

CDC

<http://www.cdc.gov/media/index.html>

Latest News - Selected

No new digest content identified.

CDC – Immunization Safety Office (ISO)

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccine-safety-systems/about/cdc-monitoring-program.html>

No new digest content identified [last updated August 7, 2024]

ACIP

2026 Meetings Schedule

- ~~February 25-27~~ *[Cancelled without notice; no agenda content posted]*
- ~~March 18-19~~ *[Cancelled without notice; no agenda content posted]*
- June 24-25
- October 21-22

National Vaccine Advisory Committee (NVAC)

<https://www.hhs.gov/vaccines/about/index.html>

Upcoming Meetings/Latest Updates

No 2025-26 meeting dates posted.

Advisory Commission on Childhood Vaccines (ACCV)

<https://www.hrsa.gov/advisory-committees/vaccines/meetings>

Next ACCV meetings – TBD

MMWR Weekly

<https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/index2026.html>

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[PDF of this issue](#)

:: [Influenza Vaccination Coverage Among Nursing Home Residents and Health Care Personnel — United States, 2024–25 Influenza Season](#)

:: [Notes from the Field: Contact Tracing for Monkeypox virus Clade I Cases Associated with Air Travel — United States, November 2024–January 2025](#)

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NSF

News

No new digest content identified.

[Trump ousts National Science Board members](#)

Washington Post, 25 April 2026

By Carolyn Y. Johnson

Multiple scientists who serve on an independent board established to guide the nation's nearly \$9 billion basic science funding agency were terminated from their positions Friday by President Donald Trump.

Members of the National Science Board, which helps govern the National Science Foundation, were dismissed in a message from the Presidential Personnel Office thanking them for their service, according to screenshots shared with The Washington Post: "On behalf of President Donald J. Trump, I'm writing to inform you that your position as a member of the National Science Board is terminated, effective immediately."..

It's unclear how many members of the board were dismissed and whether they will be replaced. A National Science Foundation spokesman referred questions to the White House. The White House did not immediately respond to inquiries about why the members were terminated...

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U.S. Congress

HHS Secretary Robert F Kennedy Jr. testified before a number of Congressional committees/subcommittees over the last two weeks as below. The hearings focused on the HHS budget, but included extensive exchanges around vaccines/immunization:

House Ways and Means Committee

Full committee hearing

[Full Committee Hearing with Health and Human Services Secretary Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.](#)

April 16, 2026

House Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies

[Budget Hearing - Department of Health and Human Services](#)

Thursday, April 16, 2026 - 2:00 PM Witnesses - The Honorable Robert F. Kennedy Jr.

House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Health

[Subcommittee on Health hearing to discuss the Department of Health and Human Services FY 2027](#)

[Budget](#) Robert F Kennedy Jr, HHS

Tuesday, April 21, 2026

Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies

Subcommittee Hearing

[A Review of the President’s Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Request for the Department of Health and Human Services](#)

Tuesday, April 21, 2026 Robert F Kennedy Jr, HHS

Senate Finance Committee

Full Committee Hearing

[The President’s Fiscal Year 2027 Department of Health and Human Services Budget](#)

Wednesday, April 22, 2026 Robert F Kennedy Jr, HHS

Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee

Full Committee Hearing

[Hearing on Fiscal Year 2027 Department of Health and Human Services Budget](#)

Date: Wednesday, April 22nd, 2026 Robert F Kennedy Jr, HHS

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Supreme Court, Federal & Appellate Courts

O’Neill Institute – Health Care Litigation Tracker [Georgetown University]

<https://litigationtracker.law.georgetown.edu/>

No new digest content identified.

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U.S. Medical, Scientific, Professional Societies; Health Organizations

This inventory is evolving and may not capture all instances of relevant comment and analysis.

American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)

<https://www.aafp.org/news/media-center.html>

(Accessed 25 Apr 2026)

No new digest content identified.

American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)

<https://www.aap.org/en/news-room/news-releases-from-the-aap/>

(Accessed 25 Apr 2026)

News

No new digest content identified.

American College of Physicians (ACP)

<https://www.acponline.org/more-acp-news>

(Accessed 25 Apr 2026)

ACP News

No new digest content identified.

America's Health Insurance Plans (AHIP)

<https://www.ahip.org/news>

(Accessed 25 Apr 2026)

News

No new digest content identified.

American Geriatrics Society (AGS)

<https://www.americangeriatrics.org/media-center>

(Accessed 25 Apr 2026)

Recent Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

American Medical Association (AMA)

<https://www.ama-assn.org/press-center>

(Accessed 25 Apr 2026)

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

American Osteopathic Association (AOA)

<https://osteopathic.org/news/>

(Accessed 25 Apr 2026)

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

American Public Health Association (APHA)

<https://www.apha.org/news-and-media/news-releases?sortFieldName=ItemDate&sortDisplayName=Newest&sortMode=desc>

(Accessed 25 Apr 2026)

No new digest content identified.

Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA)

<https://www.idsociety.org/>

(Accessed 25 Apr 2026)

Top News

No new digest content identified.

National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID)

<https://www.nfid.org/news-updates/>

(Accessed 25 Apr 2026)

News and Updates

April 22, 2026

[NFID Statement on US Military Flu Vaccine Policy Change](#)

Annual influenza vaccination is the best way to help protect against potentially serious flu complications, including among members of the military and their families.

National Medical Association (NMA)

<https://nmanet.org/blog/>

(Accessed 25 Apr 2026)

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Pediatric Infectious Diseases Society (PIDS)

<https://pids.org/news-announcements/>

(Accessed 25 Apr 2026)

News & Announcements

No new digest content identified.

Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America (SHEA)

<https://shea-online.org/news/>

(Accessed 25 Apr 2026)

No new digest content identified.

Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine (SMFM)

<https://www.smfm.org/>

(Accessed 25 Apr 2026)

News

No new digest content identified.

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Civil Society – Individuals, Organizations, Institutions [Selected]

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Kaiser Family Foundation/KFF [25 Apr 2026]

https://www.kff.org/search/?post_type=press-release

Vaccinations

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Numerous actions by the federal and state governments in recent years have made changes to vaccine policies, including the set of recommended vaccines for children and adults and school vaccination requirements. This collection provides the latest state-specific data on vaccine requirements for school attendance, requirements for private insurance coverage of vaccines, child vaccination and exemption rates, and flu and pneumonia vaccination rates.

MMR Vaccination Coverage Among Children

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DTaP Vaccination Coverage Among Children

Apr 23, 2026

Vaccination Coverage Among Children Age 35 Months

Apr 23, 2026 *State Health Facts Indicator*

[Hepatitis B Vaccination Coverage Among Children](#)

Apr 23, 2026

[KFF Tracker: America First MOU Bilateral Global Health Agreements](#)

Apr 22, 2026 *Tracker*

This tracker provides up-to-date information on countries with signed bilateral MOU global health agreements with the U.S.

[Breaking Down the U.S. Global Health Budget by Program Area](#)

Apr 21, 2026 *Fact Sheet*

The U.S. government is the largest donor to global health in the world. This fact sheet breaks down the U.S. global health budget by program area: HIV/PEPFAR; tuberculosis; malaria/the President's Malaria Initiative; the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria; maternal & child health; nutrition; family planning & reproductive health; global health security; and neglected tropical diseases.

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Vaccine Integrity Project – CIDRAP [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.cidrap.umn.edu/vaccine-integrity-project>

Announcements, Viewpoints

No new digest content identified.

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Center for Vaccine Ethics & Policy - GE2P2 Global Foundation [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://centerforvaccineethicsandpolicy.net/>

[Expression of Concern :: US CDC: New ACIP Charter Elements :: 24 April 2026](#)

:: Over last 15 months, changes at ACIP/CDC/HHS have triggered an accelerated and troubling “de-coupling” of the immunization policy and practice in many U.S. states from federal immunization schedules and recommendations.

:: New charter introduces a number of changes likely to further erode CDC/ACIP credibility

:: We call on HHS, CDC, and ACIP leadership to provide clear, compelling, evidenced-based rationales for the changes to the ACIP charter and where such rationales are not able to be articulated, amend and refile the charter reflecting a return to ACIP’s historical charter scope, processes and operational detail.

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Paul Offit, MD – *Beyond the Noise*

Substack: <https://pauloffit.substack.com/>

[The Death of Public Health](#)

Robert F, Kennedy Jr, the nation’s #1 public health official, isn’t interested in public health.

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Organization Announcements

Paul G. Allen Frontiers Group [25 Apr 2026]

<https://alleninstitute.org/news-press/>

News

No new digest content identified.

Gates Foundation [25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.gatesfoundation.org/ideas/media-center>

Press Releases & Statements

No new digest content identified.

CARB-X [25 Apr 2026]

<https://carb-x.org/>

News

No new digest content identified.

Chan Zuckerberg Initiative [25 Apr 2026]

<https://chanzuckerberg.com/newsroom/>

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

CEPI – Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations [25 Apr 2026]

<http://cepi.net/>

CEPI News, Blog

Impact story

[How a rapid-response bird flu vaccine trial is shaping global preparedness](#)

A first-of-its kind CEPI-supported Phase 3 trial of Moderna's mRNA-based H5N1 vaccine candidate aims to help the world prepare for a potential bird flu pandemic.

21 Apr 2026

News

[CEPI and Pasteur Network partner to advance regional vaccine R&D and outbreak preparedness](#)

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CIOMS – COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OF MEDICAL SCIENCES [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://cioms.ch/>

News; Publications; Events

No new digest content identified.

DARPA – Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency [U.S.] [25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.darpa.mil/news>

News

No new digest content identified.

DNDI – Drugs for Neglected Diseases Initiative [25 Apr 2026]

<https://dndi.org/press/press-releases/>

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Duke Global Health Innovation Center [25 Apr 2026]

<https://dukeghic.org/>

News

No new digest content identified.

EDCTP [25 Apr 2026]

<http://www.edctp.org/>

The European & Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP) aims to accelerate the development of new or improved drugs, vaccines, microbicides and diagnostics against HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria as well as other poverty-related and neglected infectious diseases in sub-Saharan Africa, with a focus on phase II and III clinical trials

News

25 April 2026

[**Driven to end malaria: how the EDCTP Association turns innovation into impact**](#)

24 April 2026

[**WANETAM holds High-Level Convening Workshop on Pan-African Health and Clinical Trials Data Sharing in Abuja**](#)

The West African Network of Excellence for TB, AIDS and Malaria (WANETAM), in collaboration with the Medical Research Council The Gambia at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine (MRCG at LSHTM), organised a High-Level Convening Workshop on Pan-African Health and Clinical Trials Data Sharing, in partnership with Africa CDC. The event took place at the Abuja Continental Hotel, Abuja, Nigeria, from March 30-31, 2026.

Bringing together approximately 50 stakeholders, the two-day strategic convening focused on the urgent need for a unified African health data ecosystem. Discussions evolved from evaluating the current landscape and technical barriers to establishing a roadmap for data sovereignty and financial sustainability...

Emory Vaccine Center [25 Apr 2026]

<http://www.vaccines.emory.edu/>

Vaccine Center News

No new digest content identified.

European Vaccine Initiative [25 Apr 2026]

<http://www.euvaccine.eu/>

News

World Malaria Day 2026 - "Driven to end Malaria: Now We Can. Now We Must"

World Malaria Day is observed every year on 25 April to recognise global efforts to control malaria.

Fondation Merieux [25 Apr 2026]

<http://www.fondation-merieux.org/>

Actualités

No new digest content identified.

Gates Medical Research Institute [25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.gatesmri.org/news>

The Gates Medical Research Institute is a non-profit organization dedicated to the discovery, development and effective use of novel biomedical interventions addressing substantial global health concerns, for which investment incentives are limited.

News: Articles and Publications

No new digest content identified.

Gavi [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.gavi.org/>

News Releases

24 April 2026

Africa's routine vaccine systems deliver gains against cancer and malaria, but funding pressures loom

:: HPV vaccination will help avert nearly one million cervical cancer deaths and produce an estimated US\$ 1.8 billion in economic gains across African implementing countries.

:: Malaria vaccines are available routinely in 25 African countries, with early reports already highlighting strong impact in the form of lives saved, reduction in severe disease and hospital admissions.

:: While malaria transmission continues to rise in parts of the continent, progress against both malaria and cervical cancer is at risk due to funding constraints.

24 April 2026

Largest catch-up initiative delivers over 100 million childhood vaccinations

GE2P2 Global Foundation [25 Apr 2026]

www.ge2p2.org

News/Analysis/Publications-Digests/Statements/Digests

:: [Vaccines and Global Health: The Week in Review](#) - Current edition

:: [Informed Consent: A Monthly Review – May 2025](#)

:: [Public Consultations Watch :: Global Calls for Input/Public Comment – 19 March 2026](#)

:: [Genomics, Gene Editing, Convergent Biosciences: Governance, Ethics, Policy, Practice – A Monthly Review – Nov 2025](#)

GHIT Fund [25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.ghitfund.org/newsroom/press>

Press Releases

April 22, 2026

Total Investment of Approx. USD 8.5 Million in Malaria and NTD R&D Projects with Partners Including MMV, GSK, Tanabe Pharma, Eisai and DNDi

Global Fund [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.theglobalfund.org/en/news/>

News Releases

No new digest content identified.

Global Research Collaboration for Infectious Disease Preparedness [GloPID-R] [25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.glopid-r.org/>

News & Events

No new digest content identified.

Hilleman Laboratories [25 Apr 2026]

<http://www.hilleman-labs.org/>

News & Insights

No new digest content identified.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.hhmi.org/news>

Press Room

No new digest content identified.

Human Immunome Project [nee Human Vaccines Project] [25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.humanimmunomeproject.org/>

News

No new digest content identified.

IAVI [25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.iavi.org/>

Press Releases, Features

No new digest content identified.

INSERM [25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.inserm.fr/en/home/>

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

International Coalition of Medicines Regulatory Authorities [ICMRA]

<http://www.icmra.info/drupal/en/news>

Selected Statements, Press Releases, Research

No new digest content identified.

ICH [International Council for Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use] [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.ich.org/>

News/Pubs/Press Releases [Selected]

Ongoing Public Consultations	^
> E22 EWG	General Considerations for Patient Preference Studies
> M4Q(R2) EWG	Revision of M4Q(R1)

<https://www.ich.org/page/public-consultations>

ICRC [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.icrc.org/en/news>

Latest press releases and statements

[Afghanistan: Humanitarian assistance to conflict-affected communities in Nuristan Province](#)

News release 21-04-2026

[Lebanon: Maintaining water and essential lifelines as hostilities disrupt essential services](#)

Article 22-04-2026

IFFIm [25 Apr 2026]

<http://www.iffim.org/>

Press Releases/Announcements

[IFFIm returns to market with US\\$1 billion 5-year bond to support global vaccine programs](#)

22 Apr 2026

Funds to support Gavi immunisation programmes. This bond marks 20 years since IFFIm's inaugural issuance.

IFRC [to 25 Apr 2026]

<http://media.ifrc.org/ifrc/news/press-releases/>

Press releases

[Six months after Hurricane Melissa, locally led recovery will determine how communities withstand future shocks](#)

22/04/2026 | *Press release*

IPPS - International Pandemic Preparedness Secretariat [25 Apr 2026]

<https://ippsecretariat.org/news/>

News

No new digest content identified.

Institut Pasteur [25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.pasteur.fr/en/press-area>

Press Documents

No new digest content identified.

InterAcademy Partnership (IAP)

<https://www.interacademies.org>

News

No new digest content identified.

ISC / International Science Council [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://council.science/current/>

ISC is a non-governmental organization with a unique global membership that brings together 40 international scientific Unions and Associations and over 140 national and regional scientific organizations including Academies and Research Councils.

News

21 April 2026

[Call for input: Science priorities for the next UN Secretary-General](#)

The International Science Council (ISC) is inviting its Members to contribute to an open letter to candidates for the next United Nations Secretary-General. At a time of growing geopolitical fragmentation and complex global challenges, this letter will convey a collective message from the scientific community on how science can support effective, cooperative, and informed multilateral action.

International Union of Immunological Societies (IUIS)

<https://iuis.org/>

News, Resources

No new digest content identified.

IVAC [25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/ivac/index.html>

Updates; Events

No new digest content identified.

IVI [25 Apr 2026]

<http://www.ivi.int/>

IVI News & Announcements

[Global leaders in immunization policy and vaccine manufacturing honored at 2026 IVI–SK bioscience Park MahnHoon Award Ceremony](#)

Prof. Walter Orenstein and Developing Countries Vaccine Manufacturers Network (DCVMN) recognized for contributions to global immunization and vaccine equity

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Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security [25 Apr 2026]

<https://centerforhealthsecurity.org/newsroom>

Center News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/newsroom.html>

Latest News and Highlights

No new digest content identified.

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 25 Apr 2026]

<http://www.msf.org/>

Latest [Selected Announcements]

Lebanon

[Southern Lebanon after 46 days under continuous attacks by Israeli forces](#)

Project Update 24 Apr 2026

Papua New Guinea

[Building a support system for victims and survivors of violence in Jiwaka](#)

Project Update 24 Apr 2026

Iran

[Iran: Despite ceasefire, access to essential medical care remains fragile](#)

Project Update 23 Apr 2026

Honduras

[A safe space for LGBTQI+ patients in San Pedro Sula](#)

Project Update 22 Apr 2026

Ukraine

[When chronic illness turns critical in Ukraine](#)

Project Update 21 Apr 2026

National Academies-Sciences-Engineering-Medicine [NASEM]- USA [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.nationalacademies.org/newsroom>

News

No new digest content identified.

National Academy of Medicine - USA [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://nam.edu/programs/>

News, Stories, Insights

No new digest content identified.

PATH [25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.path.org/media-center/>

Newsroom [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

Sabin Vaccine Institute [25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.sabin.org/press/>

Latest News & Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

UNAIDS [25 Apr 2026]
<http://www.unaids.org/en>
News, Stories, Updates
Press Statement

[UNAIDS congratulates the Bahamas on WHO certification of eliminating mother-to-child transmission of HIV and hepatitis B](#)

Kingston/Geneva, 23 April 2026—UNAIDS congratulates the Bahamas on eliminating both mother-to-child transmission of HIV and hepatitis B. The certifications, awarded by the World Health Organization (WHO), with the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), recognize sustained progress to ensure that pregnant women have access to quality antenatal care, get tested on time and start treatment early. The result has been that babies have been born free of preventable infections...

UNICEF [to 25 Apr 2026]
<https://www.unicef.org/media/press-releases>
Latest press releases, news notes and statements [Selected]
Remarks 24 April 2026

[Famine a harsh reality for children as acute hunger numbers double over past decade](#)

GENEVA, 24 April 2025 - , "The Global Report on Food Crises makes a stark point, that famine is no longer just a risk, it is a harsh reality children are living through right now. "Chapter 3 of the report, on acute malnutrition, shows that today's food crises are also deep nutrition crises, driven by conflict, di...

Press release 24 April 2026

[Acute food insecurity and malnutrition remain alarmingly high as crises deepen, UN, EU and partners warn in new report](#)

Brussels/Berlin/London/Dili/Dublin/Rome/Geneva/New York/Washington D.C. - , Acute food insecurity and malnutrition levels remain alarmingly high and deeply entrenched, with crises increasingly concentrated in a core group of countries, according to the Global Report on Food Crises (GRFC) 2026 , released today by a...

Press release 23 April 2026

[Largest catch-up initiative delivers over 100 million childhood vaccinations](#)

The Big Catch-Up, launched during World Immunization Week 2023, has delivered over 100 million vaccine doses to an estimated 18.3 million children across 36 countries. Around 12.3 million were "zero-dose children" who had not previously received any vaccines and 15 million who had never received a measles vaccine....

Remarks 22 April 2026

[UNICEF Executive Director Catherine Russell's remarks at the Humanitarian Dialogue – Humanitarian Priorities for Children in 2026](#)

NEW YORK, 22 April 2026 –, "Ambassador Clase, thank you so much for having me today. I really appreciate it. "Let me start by saying what you all know. Across the globe, children are facing record levels of violence, displacement, and deprivation. "In 2024 alone, the United Nations verified more than 41,000 grave ...

Unitaid [25 Apr 2026]
<https://unitaid.org/>
News releases
Opinions & blogs

[Malaria at a crossroads: Progress at risk despite community-driven innovation](#)

20 April 2026

Vaccine Equity Cooperative [nee Initiative] [25 Apr 2026]

<https://vaccineequitycooperative.org/news/>

News

No new digest content identified. [Last update Jun 30, 2023]

Vaccine Confidence Project [25 Apr 2026]

<http://www.vaccineconfidence.org/>

News, Research and Reports

No new digest content identified.

Vaccine Education Center – Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia [25 Apr 2026]

<http://www.chop.edu/centers-programs/vaccine-education-center>

News

No new digest content identified.

Wellcome Trust [25 Apr 2026]

<https://wellcome.org/>

News. Opinion, Reports

No new digest announcements identified.

The Wistar Institute [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.wistar.org/news/press-releases>

Press Releases

No new digest announcements identified.

World Bank [to 25 Apr 2026]

<http://www.worldbank.org/en/news/all>

News [Selected]

No new digest announcements identified.

WFPHA: World Federation of Public Health Associations [25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.wfpha.org/>

Blog, Events

No new digest announcements identified.

World Medical Association [WMA] [to 06 Sep 025]

<https://www.wma.net/news-press/press-releases/>

Press Releases

[**WMA Council adopts revised Statement on Medical Care for Migrants**](#)

25.04.2026

WMA Council adopts Resolution on Escalating Global Armed Conflict and Violence and Restoring Peace

23.04.2026

World Organisation for Animal Health [OIE] [25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.oie.int/>

Press Releases, Statements

No new digest announcements identified.

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ARM [Alliance for Regenerative Medicine] [25 Apr 2026]

<https://alliancerm.org/press-releases/>

Selected Press Releases

No new digest announcements identified.

BIO [25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.bio.org/press-releases>

Press Releases

No new digest announcements identified.

DCVMN – Developing Country Vaccine Manufacturers Network [25 Apr 2026]

<http://www.dcvmn.org/>

News; Upcoming events

April 24, 2026

DCVMN Awarded 2026 MahnHoon Award for Advancing Vaccine Equity

EFPIA – European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations

<https://www.efpia.eu/news-events/>

News & Events

No new digest announcements identified.

ICBA – International Council of Biotechnology Associations [25 Apr 2026]

<https://internationalbiotech.org/>

News

No new digest announcements identified.

IFPMA [25 Apr 2026]

<https://ifpma.org/>

News & Resources

Position paper 20 Apr 2026

Advancing GMP inspection reliance – from pilots to practice

Around the world, National Regulatory Agencies (NRAs) face mounting pressure to ensure access to and availability of high-quality medicinal products while confronted with an increasing number of sites

to inspect, a demand driven by a need to strengthen supply resilience and manage limited inspection resources. This position paper represents the views of the research-based biopharmaceutical...

International Alliance of Patients' Organizations – IAPO [25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.iapo.org.uk/news>

Press and media [Selected]

No new digest announcements identified.

International Generic and Biosimilar Medicines Association [IGBA]

<https://www.igbamedicines.org/>

News

No new digest announcements identified.

PhRMA [25 Apr 2026]

<http://www.phrma.org/>

Press Releases

No new digest announcements identified.

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Vaccines/Therapeutics/Medicines – Selected Developer/Manufacturer Announcements

We recognize that this listing is indicative but certainly not exhaustive. We invite nomination of other vaccine developers for potential addition to those monitored below.

AstraZeneca

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

Bavarian Nordic

Latest News - No new digest announcements identified.

BioCubaFarma – Cuba

Últimas Noticias - No new digest announcements identified.

Biological E

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BioNTech

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

Boehringer

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

CanSinoBIO

News - Website not responding at inquiry.

CIGB

Latest News - No new digest announcements identified.

CinnaGen – Iran

Recent News - Website not responding at inquiry.

Clover Biopharmaceuticals – China

News - No new digest announcements identified.

CSL Sequirus

News Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

Curevac

News - Website now directs to BioNTech site

Dailchi Sankyo

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

Gamaleya National Center/Sputnik

Latest News and Events - No new digest announcements identified [Last: 09 Nov 2020]

<https://sputnikvaccine.com/> - No new digest announcements identified [Last: 31 Aug 2022]

GSK

Press releases for media - No new digest announcements identified.

EuBiologics, S Korea

News - No new digest announcements identified.

HIPRA

Press releases - No new digest announcements identified.

JNJ Innovative Medicine [Janssen]

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

Merck

News releases - No new digest announcements identified April 17, 2026

Moderna

News and Blog Posts

[Moderna Announces Initiation of Phase 3 Study of Investigational mRNA Pandemic Influenza Vaccine Candidate](#)

Phase 3 study is supported by the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations to help strengthen global preparedness against a significant pandemic threat

April 21, 2026

[Moderna Receives European Commission Marketing Authorization for mCOMBRIAX, Moderna's mRNA Combination Vaccine Against Influenza and COVID-19](#)

mCOMBRIAX is the world's first flu plus COVID combination vaccine to receive marketing authorization and Moderna's fourth authorized product

mCOMBRIAX will be made available in the European Union, subject to national regulatory and access procedures

April 21, 2026

Nanogen

News - No new digest announcements identified.

Novartis

News

[Novartis malaria treatment Coartem® Baby receives WHO prequalification, paving way for greater access for newborns and young infants](#)

Apr 24, 2026

- :: Coartem® (artemether-lumefantrine) Baby is the first and only malaria treatment for newborns and young infants, closing long-standing treatment gap
- :: WHO prequalification key milestone for donor-funded and public sector purchasing by UN and other procurement agencies
- :: Novartis making treatment available on largely not-for-profit basis in areas where malaria is endemic

Novavax

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

Pfizer

Recent Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

R-Pharm

<https://rpharm-us.com/index.php>

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Samsung Biologics

Latest News - No new digest announcements identified.

Sanofi Pasteur

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

Serum Institute

News & Announcements

Saturday, April 25, 2026

[University of Oxford and Serum Institute Of India Agree Licence to Advance the Next-Generation Multi-Stage Malaria Vaccine Candidate Component R78C](#)

Oxford, UK / Pune, India - The University of Oxford, through Oxford University Innovation (OUI), and the Serum Institute of India (SII), a Cyrus Poonawalla group company and the world's largest vaccine manufacturer by volume, have entered into a licence agreement to support the development and manufacture of the new malaria vaccine candidate R78C, based on two Plasmodium falciparum blood-stage antigens (RIPR and CyPRA), for use in clinical settings.

The agreement grants SII a non-exclusive, worldwide licence to develop R78C as part of a next-generation multi-stage malaria vaccine - a major step designed to target the parasite at multiple points in its lifecycle, with the aim of improving efficacy and durability of protection. The collaboration builds on a longstanding association between Oxford and Serum Institute of India, including the 2019 licence for the R21 pre-erythrocytic stage vaccine and subsequent work to further incorporate the RH5.1 blood-stage vaccine candidate.

The licence will enable SII to support the continued development, large-scale manufacture, and potential future commercialisation of the multi-stage vaccine candidate, helping to accelerate its progression into clinical evaluation...

Sinopharm/WIBPBIBP

News - No new digest announcements identified.

Sinovac

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

SK Biosciences

Press Releases

Global leaders in immunization policy and vaccine manufacturing honored at 2026 IVI-SK bioscience Park MahnHoon Award Ceremony

Prof. Walter Orenstein and Developing Countries Vaccine Manufacturers Network (DCVMN) recognized for contributions to global immunization and vaccine equity

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Takeda

Newsroom - No new digest announcements identified.

Valneva

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

WestVac Biopharma

Media - No new digest announcements identified.

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Journal Watch

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If you would like to suggest other journal titles to include in this service, please contact David Curry at: david.r.curry@centerforvaccineethicsandpolicy.org

AJOB Empirical Bioethics

Volume 17 2026 Issue 1

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uabr21/current>

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AMA Journal of Ethics

Volume 27, Number 12: E823-875 December 2025

<https://journalofethics.ama-assn.org/issue/aging-bad-you>

Aging Is Bad for You?

At some point along life's trajectory, growing becomes aging. Gerotherapeutics—biologically-based approaches to health that target processes of aging—seem poised to respond. This theme issue investigates ethical valences of what gerotherapeutics suggest about our socially, culturally, and historically entrenched patterns of pathologizing and medicalizing aging. Advancement in our understanding of physiological mechanisms of aging has prompted some to reconceive lifespans as health spans. Geroscience also suggests the need to critically evaluate whether and to what extent we should think of anti-aging ventures as legitimate enterprises of health care. Normative roles played by aging in our personal and relational narratives, in our expectations about how duration and quality of life confer value to life, and in how life extension promotes or undermines our notions of wisdom and a good life are all at stake.

American Journal of Human Genetics

Apr 02, 2026 Volume 113 Issue 4 p637-888

<https://www.cell.com/ajhg/current>

This month in The Journal

Paul W. Hook, Alyson B. Barnes

Polygenic risk scores (PRSs) are promising tools that have the potential to help translate findings from genetic association studies into clinically meaningful health insights. As work on PRSs has increased, it has become clear that the accuracy of their predictions varies between and within ancestry groups. These performance issues have been primarily attributed to differences in genetic architectures between the populations used to construct scores and the populations or individuals in which the scores are applied.

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May 2026 Volume 54 Issue 5 p473-592

<http://www.ajicjournal.org/current>

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May 2026 Volume 70 Issue 5

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American Journal of Public Health

May 2026 116(5)

<https://ajph.aphapublications.org/toc/ajph/current>

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Volume 114 (2026): Issue 4 (Apr 2026)

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Annals of Internal Medicine

April 2026 Volume 179, Issue 4

<https://www.acpjournals.org/toc/aim/current>

Original Research

[Optimizing Cervical Cancer Screening by Age at Vaccination for Human Papillomavirus: Health and Resource Implications](#)

Kine Pedersen, PhD, ... et al.

Pages:497–505

Editorials

[Adapting Cervical Cancer Screening in Vaccinated Populations: Individualized Versus Population-Based Approaches](#)

Nicolas Wentzensen, MD, PhD, MS and Didem Egemen, PhD

Pages:606–607

Special Articles

[New GRADE Evidence-to-Decision Framework for Pairwise and Multiple Comparisons \(GRADE Guidance 45\)](#)

Jessica Beltran, MD... et al.

Pages:586–595

Artificial Intelligence – An International Journal

Volume 354 May 2026

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/354/suppl/C>

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BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

<http://resource-allocation.biomedcentral.com/>

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BMC Health Services Research

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BMC Infectious Diseases

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Articles

[**HPV vaccine: the key to a powerful shield against cancer**](#)

Mustafa Kilavuz, Refika Genç, Emine Avcu

Research Open access 25 April 2026

[**Adherence to infection prevention measures and vaccine uptake among pregnant women and new mothers in Sweden during the COVID-19 pandemic**](#)

Fanny Kelderer, Sophia Holmlund, Christina E. West

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BMC Research Notes

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<https://thebulletin.org/magazine/2026-03/>

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Volume 104, Number 4, April 2026, 209-284

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Apr 16, 2026 Volume 189 Issue 8 p2195-2516

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Cell and Gene Therapy Insights

February 2026 Issue, Volume 12 Issue 1

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Volume 52, Issue 2 March 2026

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Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics

Volume 119, Issue 4 Pages: 813-1111 April 2026

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Volume 163 April 2026

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Volume 13, Issue 1 December 2025

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Current Opinion in Infectious Diseases

April 2026 - Volume 39 - Issue 2

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Volume 20 - 2026

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[**Sustaining health systems in sub-Saharan Africa: public–private partnerships in a new era of reduced donor funding**](#)

Rowan Haffner and others

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[**Gavi's Zero-Dose Learning Hubs: enhanced approach for evidence generation and use from local to global**](#)

Heidi W Reynolds and others

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Volume 37 Issue 7-8, April 2026

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Apr 14, 2026 Volume 59 Issue 4 p801-1164

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Reviews

[Immunological memory to vaccines](#)

Shane Crotty, Open Access

The generation of immune memory is at the crux of vaccine efficacy. Here, Crotty reviews the layers of adaptive immunity—T cell, B cells, and antibodies—and their integration to generate a holistic view of vaccine response. Common misconceptions and questions in the field are also highlighted to guide future vaccine considerations.

Infectious Agents and Cancer

<http://www.infectagentscancer.com/>

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<http://www.idpjournal.com/content>

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[Progress and challenges in development of minimum essential dataset for disease surveillance through a One Health lens: a scoping review](#)

Tianyun Li, Lijun Jia, Lefei Han

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April 21, 2026, Vol 335, No. 15, Pages 1283-1372

<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/currentissue>

Editorial

[The Geography of Pharmaceutical Innovation - The US and China in a New World Order](#)

Richard Pazdur, MD; Steven Usdin

China's rise as a major center of drug development represents one of the most consequential shifts in the global life sciences landscape in a generation. From the patient perspective, a key policy question is how China's expanding capacity, spanning follow-on products that are based on an approved drug to first-in-class innovation, can be integrated into regulatory frameworks to ensure timely and equitable access to medicines.

The study by Kang and Ji in this issue of JAMA¹ highlights China's contribution to the increasing scale of global drug development. Between 2015 and 2024, the number of drug development programs nearly doubled, from approximately 10 400 to roughly 19 000. During this period, activity in the US increased incrementally, from about 5000 to more than 7000 programs, yet the US share of such programs worldwide declined from approximately 48% to 37% as development expanded elsewhere. Most of this global growth occurred in China, where the number of drug development programs increased from about 830 to more than 6000.

Research Letter

[Geographic Shifts in Early-Stage Biopharmaceutical Innovation](#)

So-Yeon Kang, PhD, MBA; Yunan Ji, PhD

JAMA. 2026;335(15):1355-1357. doi:10.1001/jama.2026.1962

This study examines changes from 2015 through 2025 in the country of origin of early-stage biopharmaceutical development programs worldwide.

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April 2026, Vol 7, No. 4

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JAMA Forum

[Conspiracy Theories Are Incompatible With Effective Health Policies](#)

Ruth Shim, MD, MPH

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JAMA Health Forum. 2026;7(4):e261472. doi:10.1001/jamahealthforum.2026.1472

This JAMA Forum discusses 3 conspiracy theories being amplified by the Secretary of the US Department of Health and Human Services and the consequences of policy changes on US health.

JAMA Pediatrics

April 2026, Vol 180, No. 4, Pages 354-464

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[Editor's Note on CONSORT-C and SPIRIT-C Guidelines](#)

Dimitri A. Christakis, MD, MPH

JAMA Pediatr. 2026;180(4):440. doi:10.1001/jamapediatrics.2026.0150

Special Communication

[CONSORT–Children and Adolescents \(CONSORT-C\) 2026 Extension Statement - Enhancing the Reporting and Impact of Pediatric Randomized Trials](#)

Ami Baba, MRes; Maureen Smith, MEd; Beth K. Potter, PhD; et al.

JAMA Pediatr. 2026;180(4):413-425. doi:10.1001/jamapediatrics.2026.0104

This Special Communication outlines the new Consolidated Standards of Reporting Trials–Children and Adolescents (CONSORT-C) 2026 guidelines, which consist of 13 new items recommended to be reported in addition to the CONSORT 2025 items in pediatric randomized controlled trial reports.

[SPIRIT–Children and Adolescents \(SPIRIT-C\) 2026 Extension Statement - Enhancing the Reporting and Usefulness of Pediatric Randomized Trial Protocols](#)

Ami Baba, MRes; Maureen Smith, MEd; Beth K. Potter, PhD; et al.

JAMA Pediatr. 2026;180(4):426-439. doi:10.1001/jamapediatrics.2026.0113

This Special Communication outlines the new Standard Protocol Items: Recommendations for Interventional Trials–Children and Adolescents (SPIRIT-C) 2026 guidelines, which consist of 17 new items recommended to be reported in addition to the SPIRIT 2025 items in pediatric randomized controlled trial protocols.

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Editorial

[**The US CDC on the brink**](#)

The Lancet

On Aug 11, 2025, a gunman who falsely believed that mRNA COVID-19 vaccines were dangerous went on a shooting rampage at the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) main campus, shattering 150 windows and tragically killing a 33-year-old CDC security officer. Staff, still reeling from firings and programmatic shifts that began with the new Trump administration, were deeply traumatised. 8 months later, the windows have not been repaired. The CDC was once the gold standard for public health leadership. Today, it is struggling to maintain scientific excellence, trustworthiness, and relevance, a result of the actions of the Trump administration and the US Department of Health and Human Services that have undermined the agency.

80% of the CDC's highest positions are vacant, with directors of 20 out of 25 centres having left. An estimated 2000 staff, almost one in five, have been fired, and about 300 are on administrative leave. There is still no CDC director since Susan Monarez was fired less than 1 month into her appointment in August, 2025 because she refused to pre-approve vaccine recommendations and to fire career scientists. The agency's ability to protect health in the US has been badly eroded. Disease surveillance, for example, provides data to inform targeted public health planning and serves as the early warning system for outbreaks. The CDC has had to cut back on services it routinely provided for disease detection. One study found that 38 CDC datasets, mostly vaccination-related, have been halted. Without regularly updated data, the agency is flying without radar.

Internationally too, the CDC has a long-standing legacy of country and multilateral partnerships centred on building sustainable public health capacity, accelerating disease eradication, and bolstering global health security that the Trump administration's stance now threatens. The President's Fiscal Year 2027 budget request for the CDC says that it aims to ensure that the CDC "serves as the nation's first line of defence against emerging infectious diseases". But CDC cannot gather epidemic intelligence and mount an outbreak response without international partners in other countries. It is hamstrung by Presidential Executive Order 14155, which barred CDC staff from communicating and coordinating with WHO, the global normative body for pandemic preparedness. CDC staff secondments to national governments and UN agencies, critical in disease elimination initiatives such as measles, polio, and hepatitis B elimination, have been an important way of furthering the agency's mission and cultivating strong relationships. They too have been cancelled. International candidates are no longer eligible to be admitted to the CDC's Epidemic Intelligence Service, the competitive postgraduate fellowship that has trained more than 4100 elite public health responders at home and abroad. Whatever its shortcomings, WHO serves a normative function in international health arising from its composition of 194 member states that cannot be replaced by the agency of one country, mandated to uphold an America First approach to global health.

What then, does the future of the agency look like? A new candidate for CDC director Erica Schwartz will go before the Senate. A retired rear admiral of the US Public Health Service Commissioned Corps, Schwartz is respected. But if appointed, she will inherit a CDC that is weak on multiple fronts, including its core mission to protect the public and respond to public health threats. How much she will be able to change the agency's fortunes under Robert F Kennedy Jr remains to be seen. In global health, the trend is towards building greater regional capacity, thereby empowering autonomous regional institutions. And domestically, as a recent report in *The Lancet* noted, there are multistate initiatives attempting to fill the gaps left in public health by the Trump administration. The West Coast Health Alliance, for example, brings together Washington, Oregon, California, and Hawaii, aiming to coordinate multistate responses to emerging public health gaps, including joint vaccine procurement and distribution, cross-state disease surveillance, and the development of shared guidance and policy. Do such initiatives represent the future of public health in the USA?

But while it's hard to argue against stronger state-level public health, and better state-level coordination, the alliances so far are concentrated in Democratic states, the risk being that—for all their good intentions—such initiatives risk further fracturing public health along political lines. Despite these

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Mike May

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Vaccination remains a cornerstone of global public health, yet the COVID-19 pandemic exposed how online misinformation, political polarization, and declining institutional trust can undermine immunization efforts. Most of the prior computational studies that analyzed vaccine discourse on social platforms focus on English-language data, specific vaccines, or short time windows, impairing our understanding of long-term dynamics in high-impact, non-English contexts like Brazil, home to one of the world's most comprehensive immunization systems. We here present the largest longitudinal study of Brazil's vaccine discourse on YouTube, leveraging a semi-supervised stance detection framework that combines self-labeling and self-training to classify nearly 1.4 million comments. By integrating stance with temporal patterns, engagement metrics, and channel taxonomy (legacy media, science communicators, digital-native outlets), we map how pro- and anti-vaccine narratives evolve and circulate within a hybrid media ecosystem. Our results show that semi-supervised learning substantially improves stance classification robustness, enabling fine-grained tracking of public attitudes across Brazil's full immunization schedule. Polarization spikes during epidemiological crises, especially COVID-19, but becomes fragmented across vaccines and interaction patterns in the post-pandemic period. Notably, science communication and digital-native channels emerge as the primary loci of both supportive and oppositional engagement, revealing structural vulnerabilities in contemporary health communication. Thus, our work advances computational methods for large-scale stance modeling while offering actionable evidence for public health agencies, platform governance, and online information ecosystems.

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...The Declaration of Taipei tries to achieve a balance between the rights of individuals giving their tissue or data for research and other purposes based on confidentiality and privacy rules while at the same time recognising that health data has become a very powerful tool for increasing knowledge.

In analysing the scenarios that already exist for the use (and misuse) of health data and biobanks, we came to the conclusion that the major risk scenarios may not result from science, but from the commercial, administrative or political use of such data. Limiting our guidelines to research only would have left us blind to the imminent risk of abuse from outside the field of medicine: commercialization, cost-cutting and potential political abuse.

Therefore, in contrast to the Declaration of Helsinki, this policy aims to address any use of health databases and biobanks excluding individual treatment and is not restricted to research. As physicians are the primary custodians of confidential health information, they feel an obligation towards their patients and other persons who entrust them with their data and specimens...

In April 2025, the WMA appointed a workgroup to initiate the revision process of this document. To encourage as much global participation in the revision process as possible, the WMA is collaborating with its members to host a series of regional meetings...

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